



# 450mm Productivity

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- > 1,000,000 sq.ft. of cutting-edge facilities, with 135,000 sq. ft. of 300mm and 450 mm cleanrooms with a current expansion to 1,300,000 sq. ft.
- More than 300 industry partners including electronics, energy, defense & biohealth
- Over \$20Bil investments and over 3,100 R&D jobs currently on site

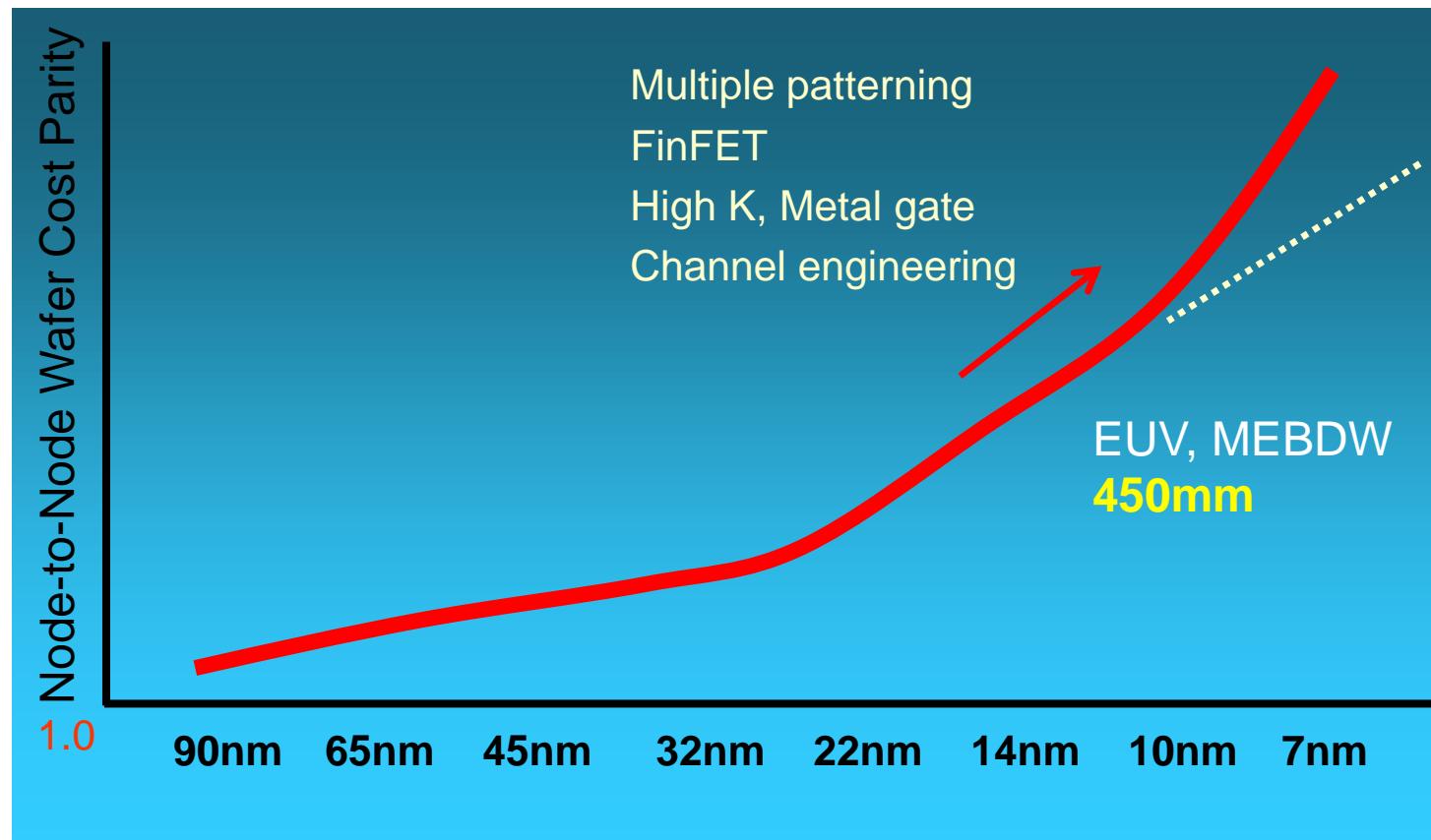


# Outline

- Benefits of Wafer Size Increase
- 450mm Challenges and Opportunities
- G450C Program Technical Achievements
  - Process Developments
  - Tool improvement
  - Notchless Wafer and Quality
- Cost Savings of 450mm
- Outlook for 450mm and Summary

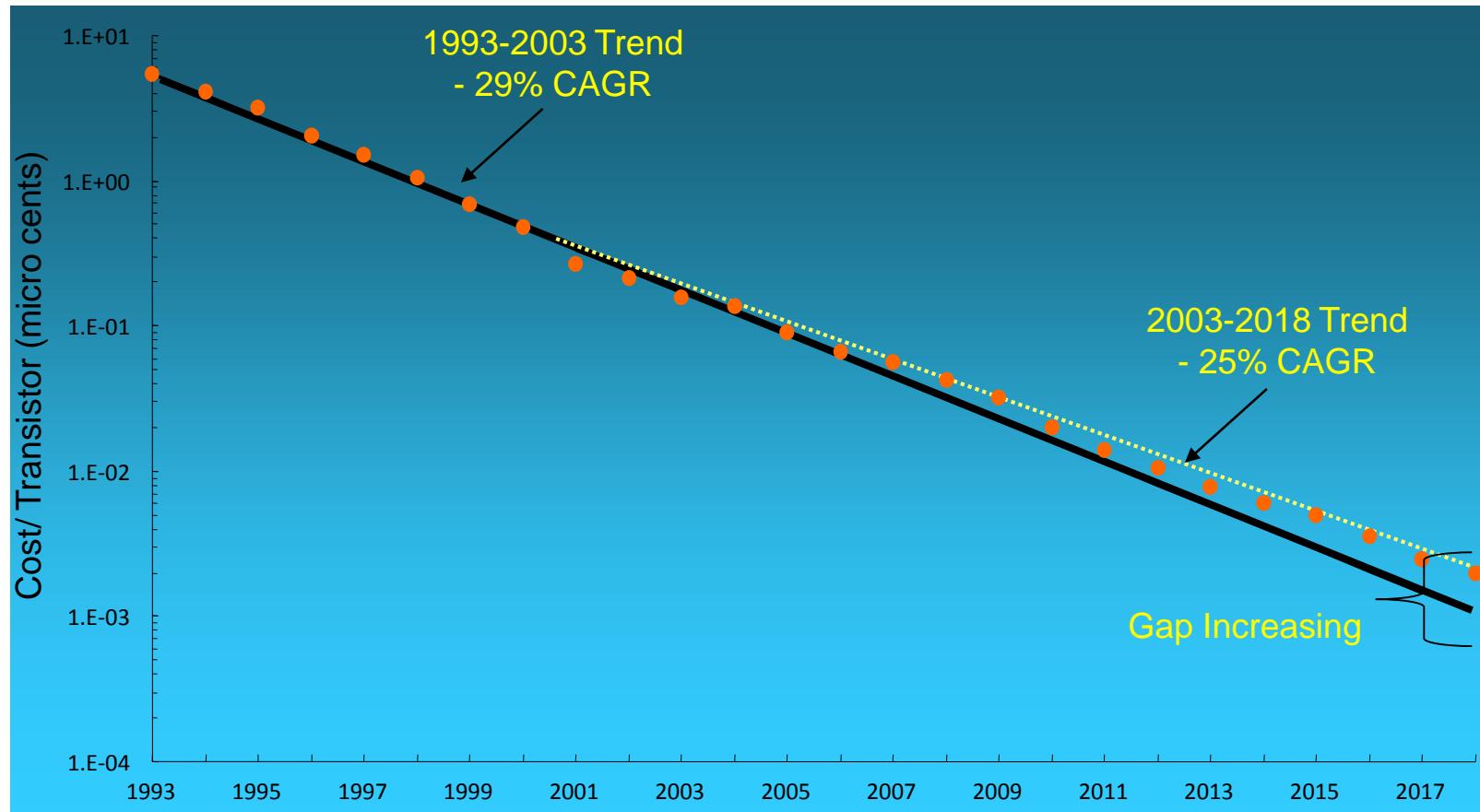
# Cost Increases Rapidly by Technology Complexity

- Technology shrink from node to node increases complexity and cost



# Cost per Transistor Reduction Slows Down

- Cost /transistor reduction trend cannot be maintained due to increase of technology complexity and slowing pace of technology shrink



Source: ISMI 1993-2013; projected 2014-2018

# Expect Similar Benefits for 450mm Transition

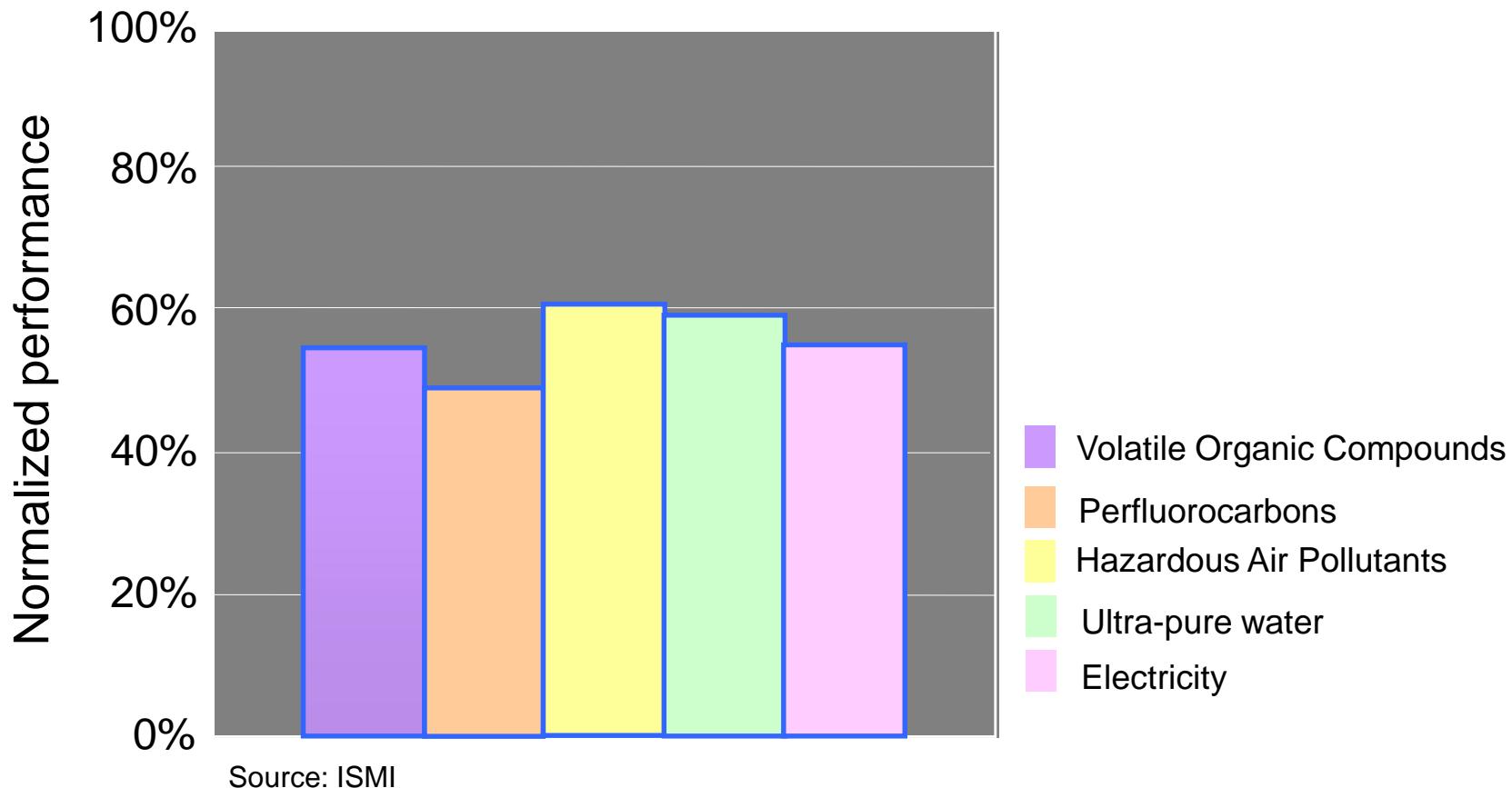
- Many innovations enabled 300mm transition

<b>Production Indices Summary</b> <b>300mm vs. 200mm</b>	
<b>Cycle Time</b>	<b>0.8X</b>
<b>Defect Density</b>	<b>0.4X</b>
<b>People Productivity</b>	<b>2.5X</b>
<b>Equipment Productivity</b>	<b>1.8X wph</b>
<b>Green – energy/water/material</b>	<b>0.5~0.7</b>
<b>Full Automation rate</b>	<b>Semi → Full Auto</b>

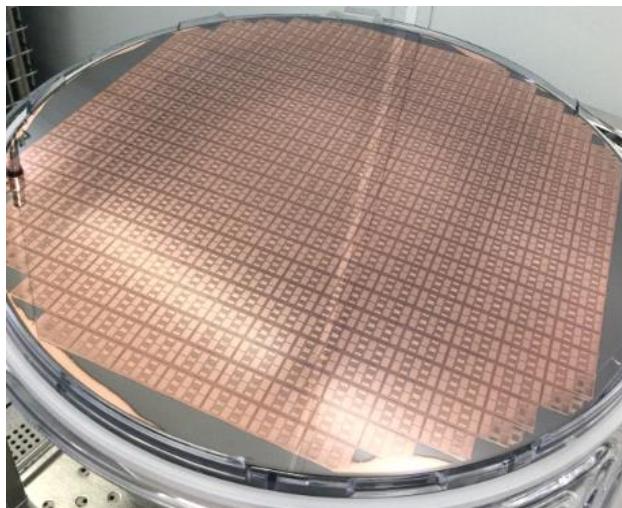
# Large Wafers Provide Green Fab

- Expect the similar green efficiency from 450mm transition
  - EPM: 1:1 consumption from 300mm to 450mm goal

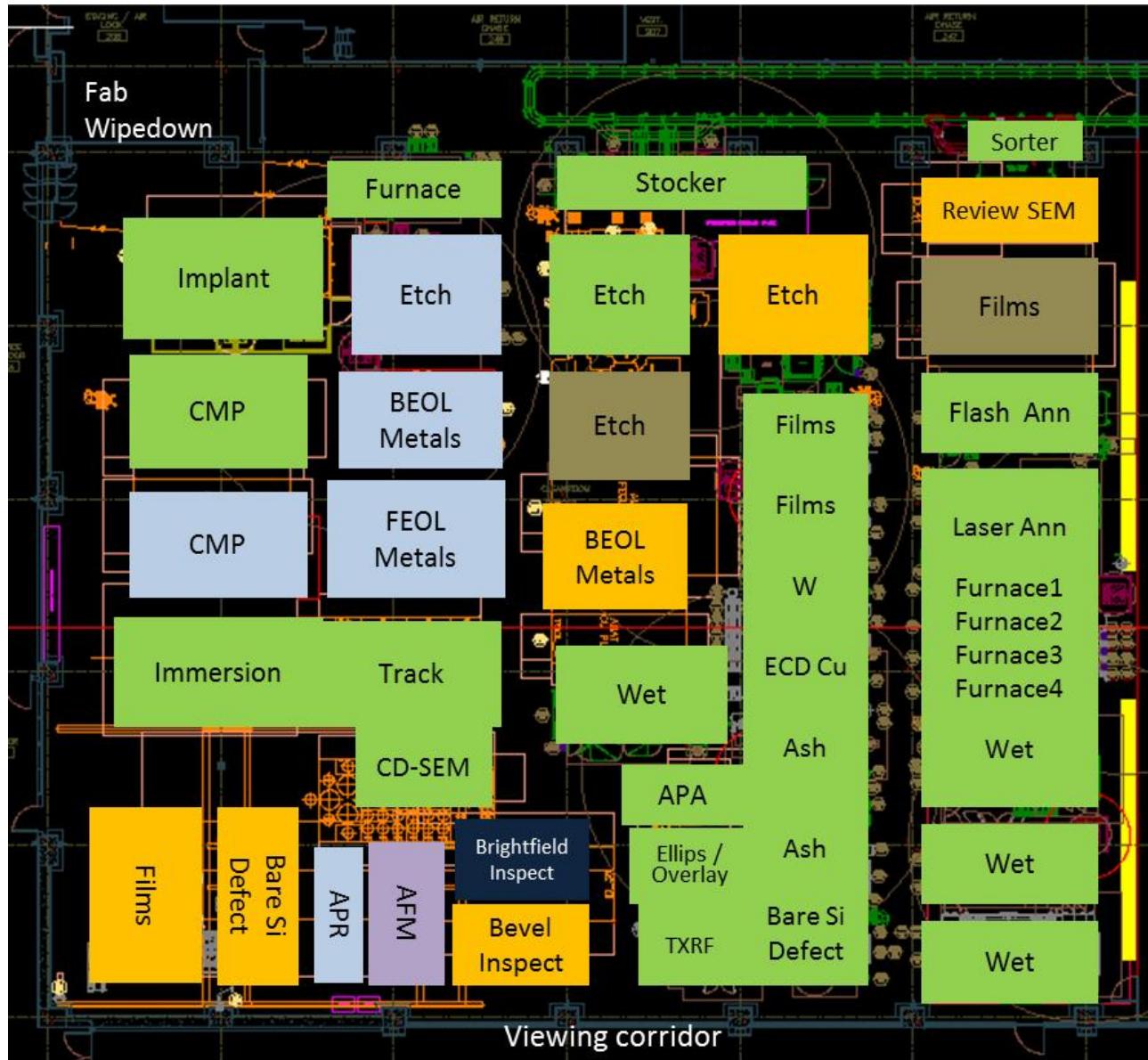
300mm consumption relative to 200mm (per silicon area processed)



- Collaboratively work with Industry Suppliers and IDMs to develop and test 450mm equipment and build up infrastructure to meet industry needs
- Consists of 5 member companies (Intel, TSMC, GLOBALFOUNDRIES, IBM, Samsung) and New York State partnering with SUNY Poly
- Full flow 14nm/10nm and beyond capability by 2016
- Over fifty 1<sup>st</sup> of a kind tools on-site



# G450C Tool Installation Status



# 450mm Process Tools

## Challenges

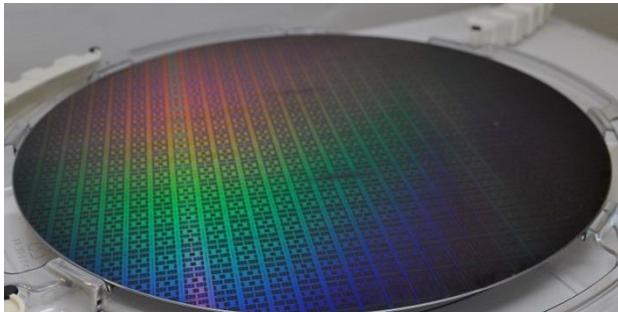
- Uniformity
- Productivity of scanning type of tools
- Foot Print
- Development cost
- HVM timing

## Opportunities

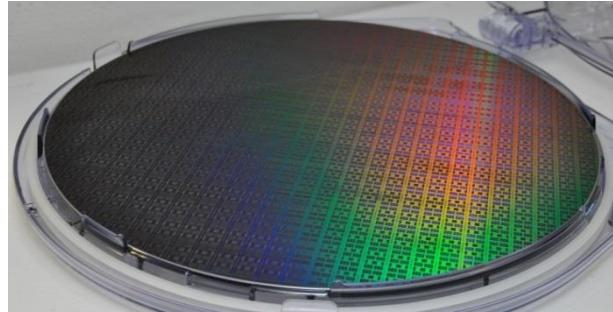
- Cost reduction per area
- New platform
- Stimulate innovation (can even benefit 300mm)
- Greener by area

# Litho Process Update

- First dynamically scanned 450mm notchless wafers patterned successfully at Nikon in Japan and demonstrated at SEMICON West 2015
  - Wafers have 1.5mm edge bead and patterned with G450C mask 40nm 1:1 line/space



450mm Notchless Wafer Kumagaya



450mm Notchless Wafer Albany

- Final virtual processing of patterned wafers completed at Nikon & Screen in Japan
  - A total of 132 wafers have been virtually patterned to date
    - Multiple processes successfully tested including: 40nm 1:1 L/S & C/H, 28nm & 40nm pitch registered lamella DSA
- Screen Coat/Develop Track installation at G450C completed
  - Resist & underlayers installed and tested successfully; developer setup and tested
  - Inline processing from Screen track to Nikon exposure tool setup and tested successfully
    - First wafers patterned successfully through photo cluster
  - 450mm temperature sensing wafers acquired from SensArray and successfully used to verify hotplate settings

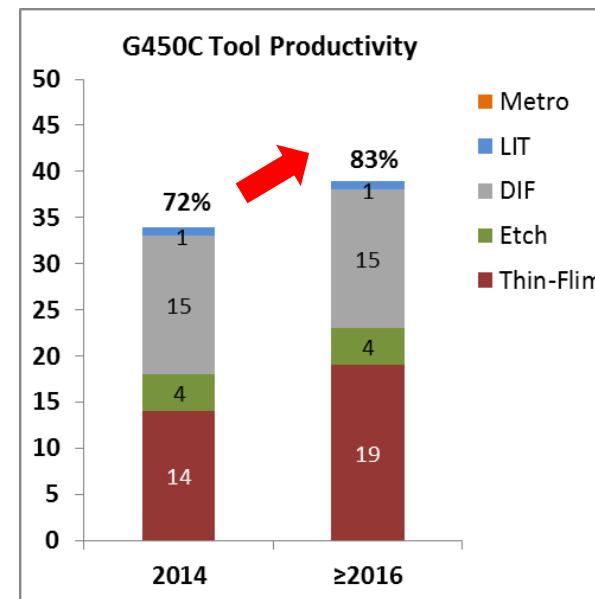
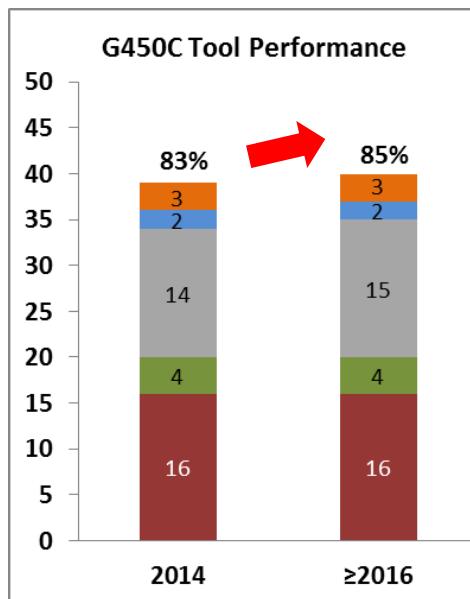
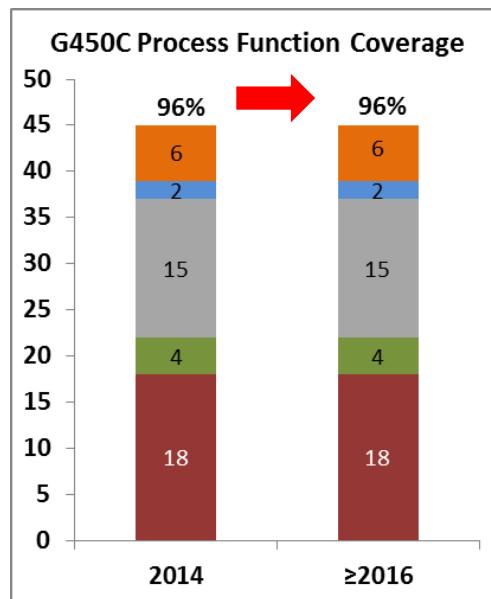
# Scanner/Track/Gigaphoton Laser



# 450mm Tool Readiness Forecast



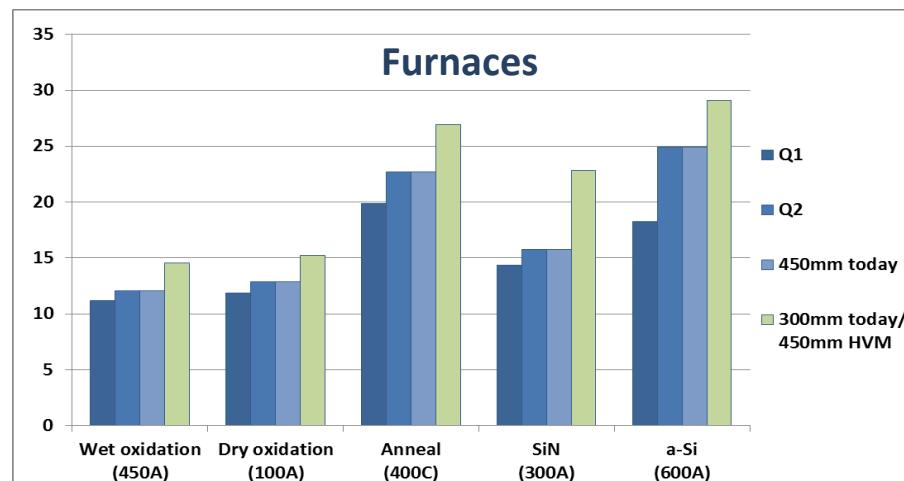
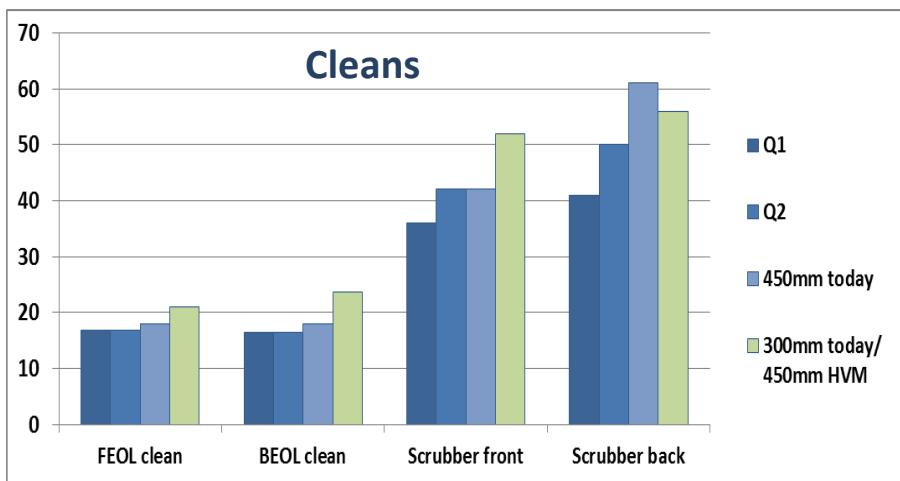
- Continue good progress in 450mm tool development
  - Tool process function coverage rate: 96% (45/47) → 96%  $\geq 2016$
  - Tool performance with high confidence level: 83% (39/47) → 85%  $\geq 2016$
  - Tool productivity with high confidence level: 72% (34/47) → 83%  $\geq 2016$



# Thermal & Clean Throughput Enhancements



- Achieved 2015 goal of throughput improvement on cleans
  - Backside scrubber achieved 49% WPH improvement from POR ( $41 \rightarrow 61$ ) and 14% better than 300mm's by short dry and dual brushes designs.
  - Average 14% WPH improvement from POR on FEOL clean / BEOL clean / front side scrubber is a result of IPA / dry time & spin speed deceleration optimization.
  - Spin motor/ base/ cup & dual spray redesigns planned for HVM.
- Planned next steps for throughput improvement on thermal furnaces
  - Average 20% WPH improvement from POR on 5 major thermal processes by cool down time reductions and boat-down speed increases.
  - Projected to improve – temperature stabilization times, elevator boat-up speeds and vacuum stabilization times to improve WPH in the next quarter.
  - Received “TC wafer” to study actual temperature variations at the wafer surface.

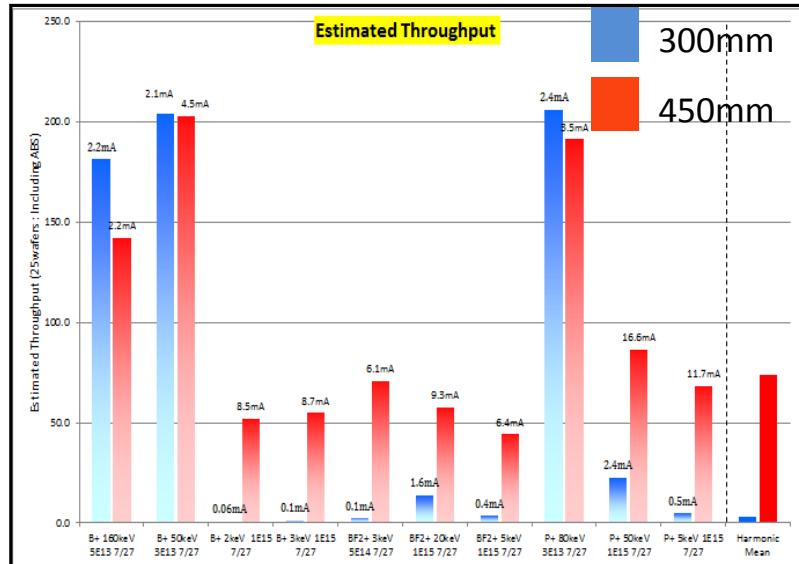


# 450mm Medium Current Implant

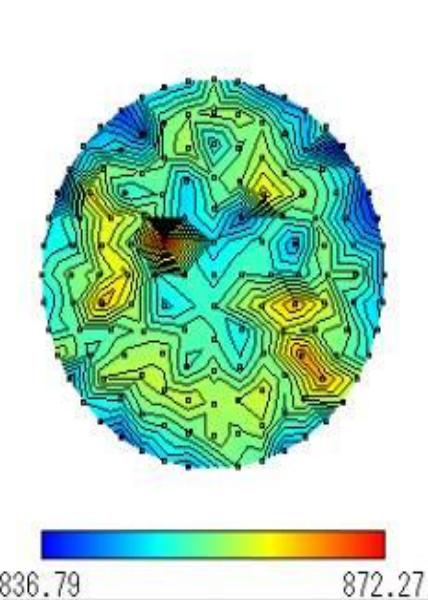


- Throughput: x1.07 than 300mm
  - Beam current increase ~50% @ low dosage recipe.
- Blanket wafer performance is comparable with 300mm
- Consequently to develop 300mm tool w/i same concept

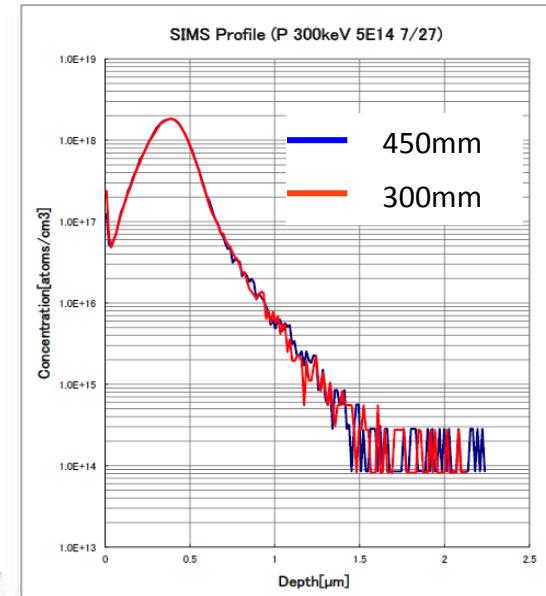
WPH & Beam Current



Rs Map  
0.66% 1 $\sigma$



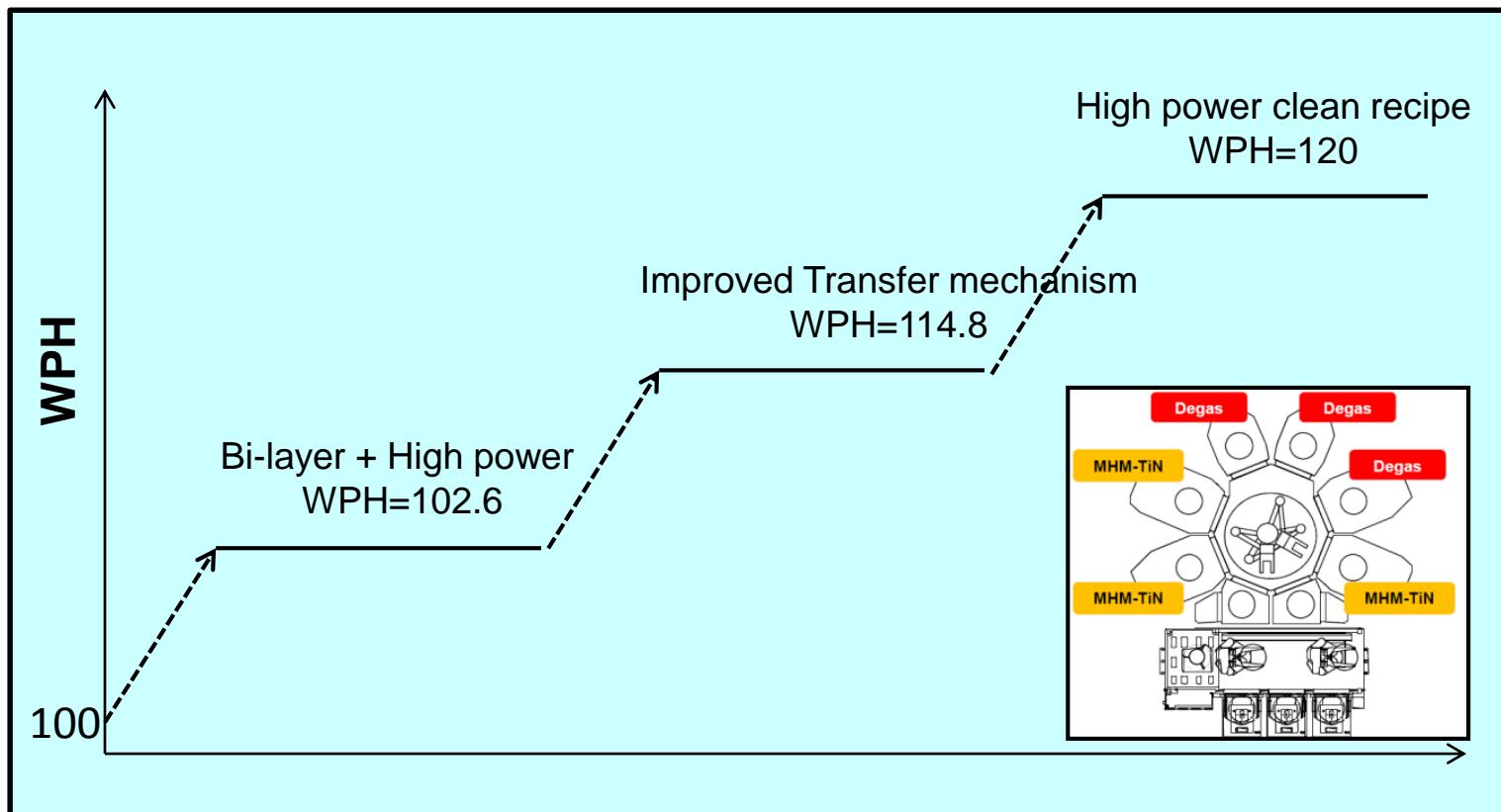
SIMS Profile



# 450mm PVD MHM (TiN) Process Update

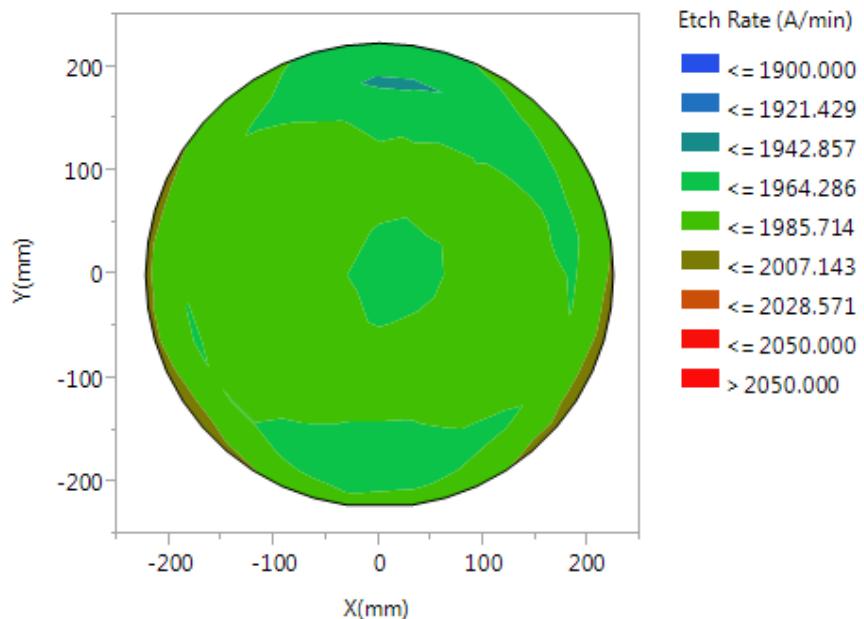
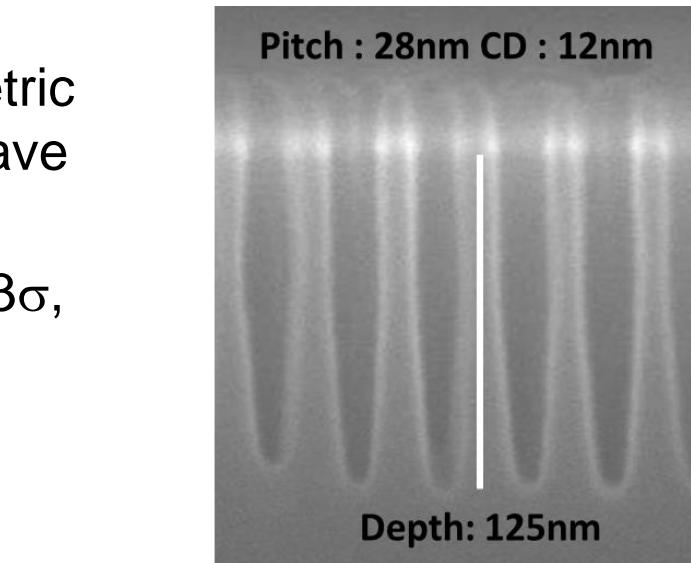
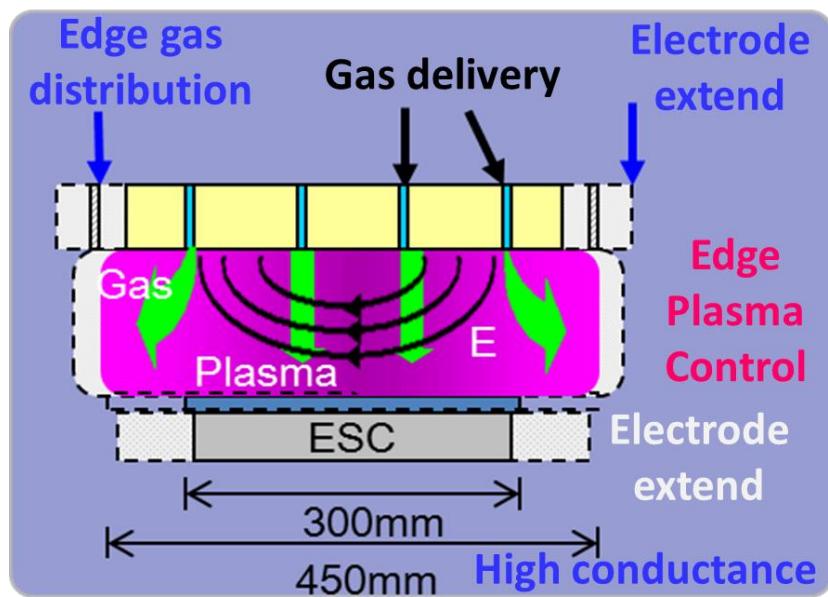


- **Positive 450mm CIP to advance 300mm productivity, WPH  $\uparrow$  20%**
- **Activities on 300mm tools (100 $\rightarrow$ 120)**
  - Bi-layer (Ti+TiN) + High Dep. power (7 $\rightarrow$ 14kw) recipe, WPH 100  $\rightarrow$  102.6
  - Improved transfer mechanism, WPH  $\uparrow$  114.8.
  - Optimized high power Clean recipe, WPH  $\uparrow$  120.



# 450mm Etch Achievements/Opportunities

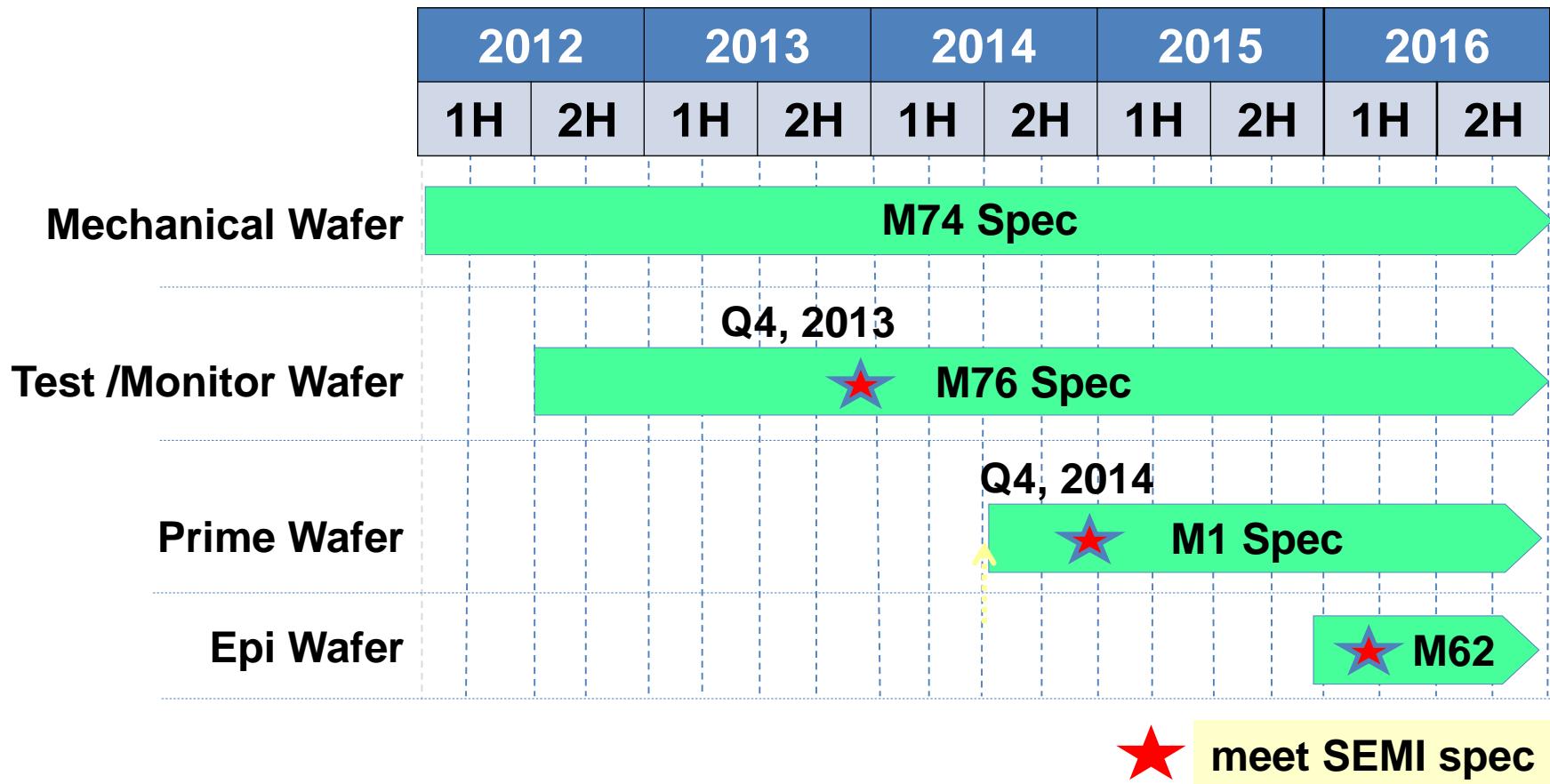
- High chamber conductance, symmetric electric, uniform gas flow designs have been successfully demonstrated
- Etch rate uniformity reach to 2.4% ( $3\sigma$ , poly) with 1.5mm edge exclusion



# 450mm Wafer Progress Update



- Wafer quality roadmap: M1 prime wafer spec has been achieved

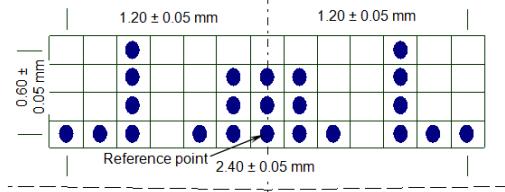


# 450mm Notchless Wafers/1.5mm Edge Exclusion

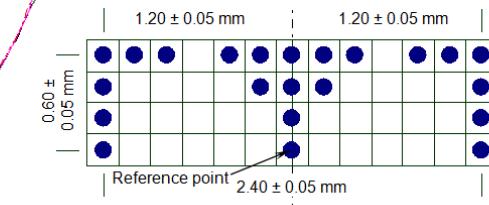
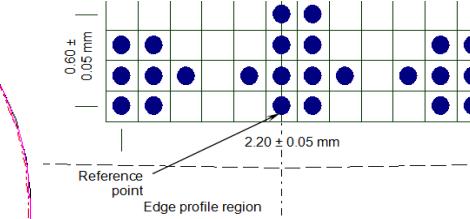


- Industry-wide collaboration for SEMI standards
  - >20 companies, >170 conference calls/meetings, and ~2 years of effort
  - Three Orientation Fiducial Marks made by laser, 1.5 mm from edge
  - Fiducial marks designed for fast, accurate, reliable detection.
  - Net 2% productivity improvement (chips per wafer)

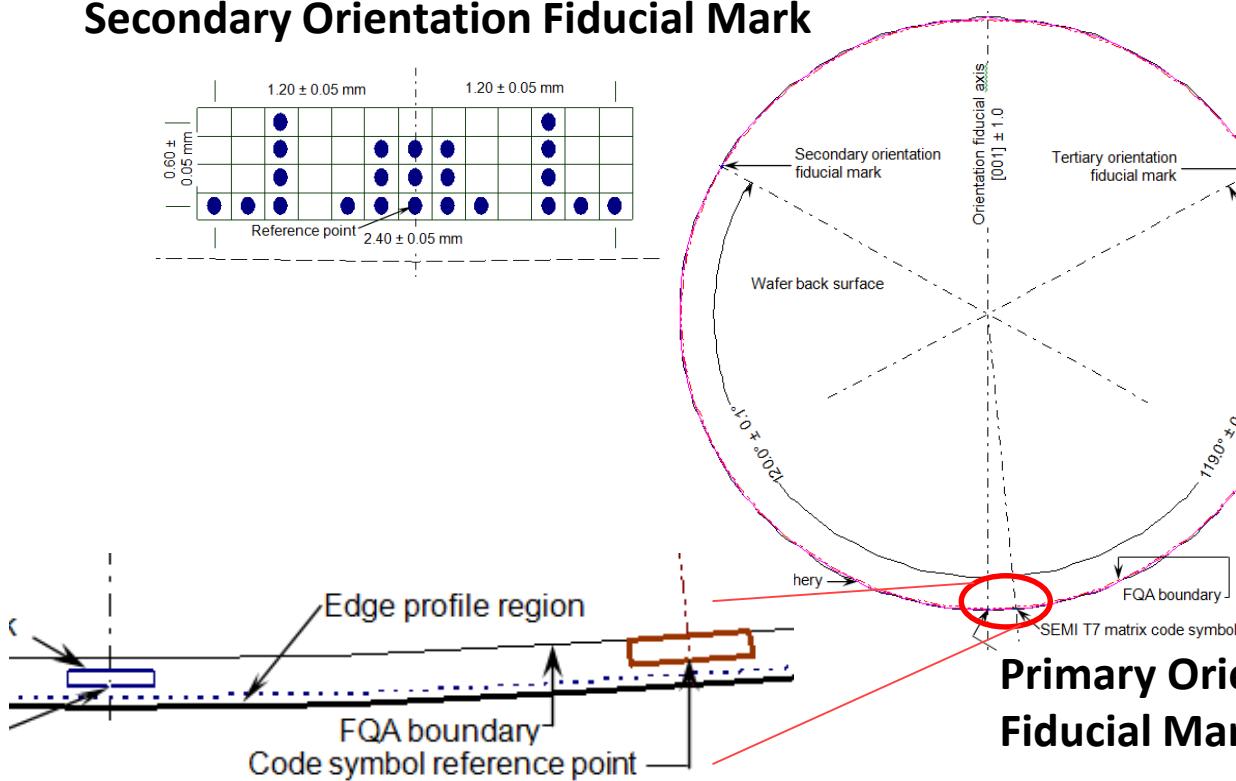
**Secondary Orientation Fiducial Mark**



**Tertiary Orientation Fiducial Mark**



**Primary Orientation Fiducial Mark**



# Key Messages



- 450mm readiness:
  - Process Capability demonstrated on 98% 14nm process steps
  - Productivity: 80% of process tools can achieve 300mm equivalent or better (WPH)
  - Performance: Process tools at or near 300mm process targets
  - Suppliers can deliver HVM tools in 18-24 months after signals
  - Potential die cost savings of >30% achievable
- All G450C member companies want to keep a viable option for 450mm, and consider 450mm a strategic opportunity.